

this week

Sunday, February 18

8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:00-9:40 a.m. Library Open
 9:00 a.m. Early Sunday Bible Study Group
 9:40 a.m. Sunday Bible Study
 10:45 a.m. Belize Mission Training
 10:50 a.m. Worship
 12:00-12:30 p.m. Library Open
 12:00 p.m. Youth Handbells
 12:15 p.m. Missions Committee Meeting
 4:00 p.m. Mixed Ensemble, Stephen Ministry Supervision Meeting, Personnel Com. Mtg.
 5:00 p.m. Ladies Ensemble, Bible Skills/Drill
 5:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
 6:00 p.m. Exchanging God, 3 Circles, Student Discipleship, Kid's Bible Study
 7:00 p.m. Advisory Council

Monday, February 19

8:30 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
 9:30 a.m. Precept-2 Timothy
 10:00 a.m. Student Ministry Center Work Day
 1:30 p.m. GriefShare, Ladies Handbells
 6:30 p.m. GriefShare, Adult Handbells
 7:00 p.m. Precept-2 Timothy

Tuesday, February 20

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 9:30 a.m. Early Learning Program (ELP)
 11:00 a.m. Ruth's Open Door Fellowship
 1:00 p.m. Ruth's Open Door Weaving Group

Wednesday, February 21

8:30 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 9:00 a.m. FIT Compelled Bible Study
 9:30 a.m. ELP Workday
 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Library Open
 4:30 p.m. Children's Chimes & Handbells
 4:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
 5:30 p.m. Children's & Youth Choirs, ESL Class, Ladies Loved by God Bible Study
 5:45-7:00 p.m. Library Open
 5:45 p.m. Prayer & Bible Study
 6:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
 6:20 p.m. Student Worship Service
 6:30 p.m. RA, GA, Mission Friends
 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 p.m. Men's Ministry Meeting
 7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, February 22

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ESL Classes
 9:30 a.m. ELP, Precept-2 Peter
 10:00 a.m. Adult Game Day
 6:30 p.m. Women's Ministry Book Club
 7:00 p.m. Precept-2 Peter
 7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

Friday, February 23

8:30 a.m. Ladies Exercise Class
 9:30 a.m. ELP, Kingdom Builders Brunch

Saturday, February 24

10:00 a.m. Michelle Chappell Baby Shower

WEDNESDAY DINNER

February 21, 2018

Lasagna, vegetable, Texas toast, salad and dessert.

Adults \$5, children \$3.50, family max \$18.

Please call the church office, 918-299-0904 to make reservations by Tuesday at noon.

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CHECK IT OUT! - The Library hours are changing for your convenience. Come by and see our impressive collection of children, young adult, and adult fiction and nonfiction books, as well as books on CD and many DVDs. *New Hours:* Sundays 9:00-9:40 a.m., 12:00-12:30 p.m. and Wednesdays 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 5:45-7:00 p.m.

GRIEFSHARE: NEW SESSION BEGINS FEBRUARY 19 - GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Groups meet at 1:30 and 6:30 p.m. on Mondays in the South Tulsa Conference Room.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BOOK CLUB - The ladies book club that began over the summer will meet on February 22 in Room B123 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. to review two books, *Extraordinary Women of the Bible* and *Uninvited*. Extra copies of *Uninvited* are available if you would like one. Betty Jo Wohl will be the facilitator for the evening. If you have questions, please call or text her at 918-693-4456.

BELIZE MISSION LUNCH - Our next lunch benefiting the Student Ministry mission trip to Belize is Sunday, March 4. Mark your calendar and plan to join us for a wonderful barbecue lunch.

THE MINISTRY CENTER NEEDS - The need is great, and supplies are low. Can you help with: **canned vegetables, canned protein** (chicken, tuna, pinto beans, black beans, etc.)? Food can be left in the cart by the Mission Wall in the Atrium across from the Children's Welcome Center.

(For more information about upcoming events please go to southtulsa.org)

"A SON HAS BEEN BORN
TO NAOMI'S LINE...
AND FROM
HIM CAME DAVID..."

**THE BOOK OF
RUTH**

A DIVINE
LOVE STORY

Sunday Mornings | Dr. Eric Costanzo

SOUTH TULSA
VOLLEYBALL
TOURNAMENT

JOIN UP
TO PLAY!

MARCH 10, 2018
9:00-11:30 AM
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8:30AM Worship

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Here for You

Your Love Defends Me

Prayer and Welcome Matt Wolff

What A Beautiful Name

Faith Story Kayla Thompson

Greeting One Another Eric Costanzo

Scripture Reading Yana Sherdis

Message Ruth 4:13-17

Response

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

New Commitments - New Members

Blessing

10:50AM Worship

JoinUs@SouthTulsa

Program Emphasis Dave Bender

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Orchestra

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Prayer and Welcome Dru Finley

Greeting One Another Love Lifted Me

Faith Story Kayla Thompson

Choral Worship

Great Are You Lord with How Great Thou Art

How Great Is Our God

Giving There Is Joy Medley Ladies Ensemble

Scripture Reading Yana Sherdis

Message Ruth 4:13-17

Response Grace Greater than Our Sin

New Commitments - New Members

Blessing



Missions! Music! and Alligators?

Debbie Steen

Germany 2018 - What a privilege to minister to our IMB missionaries serving in Europe. Our childcare team of twelve teachers, arrived in Frankfurt pulling not only our suitcases, but seven trunks filled with VBS teaching materials and the children's favorite American snacks.

Seventeen families arrived at the retreat center ready to be refreshed and encouraged. These are young families, with three or four children, living in Russia, Italy, Sweden, Germany, Scotland and Denmark. They have only been on the mission field for 12 to 18 months and are still learning the language and culture.

Each day our team would love and teach the children for seven hours. Parents took part in sessions with IMB leaders. Class time was filled with Bible lessons, crafts, games, music, inside recreation, plus bundling up and going for walks in the snowy woods. We enjoyed eating our meals with the families. This gave us the opportunity to get to know them and hear their stories. Words cannot truly express the connections of love and appreciation that formed so quickly.

On Thursday, the children participated in a program. The older children wrote and performed a play about the birth of Jesus. They sang several songs. The preschoolers sang their memory verse, "Jesus was with God in the beginning. God made everything in heaven and on Earth" (**Colossians 1: 15-16**). Amen! They ended with their favorite song, "Alligator Goodbye."

Goodbye, we'll see you later, (Wave hand)

Let me see your alligator. (Make alligator with arms in front of body)

SNAP! (Hands clap together)

(Repeat)

Don't forget to pray to God.

Don't forget to love each other.

Don't forget that God loves you.

Don't forget that we love you too.

(Repeat from the beginning)

May we all remember to pray to God, love each other, know that God loves us and that we want

to share His love with others. These children and their parents have been engraved on my heart. Join me in praying for our IMB families and being faithful to give our tithes and offerings for their support.

Discipleship University Classes Begin Tonight

3 CIRCLES: Turning everyday conversations into gospel conversations - Discover how to share the gospel with anyone using the 3 Circles evangelism tool. *Student Room, 6:00 p.m., 6 weeks. Register at southtulsa.org/current-series.*

• **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY** - FPU presents biblical steps to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more. *Conference Room, 5:30 p.m., 9 weeks, cost \$100. Register at southtulsa.org/a-new-day.*

• **EXCHANGING GOD: What Romans 1 Teaches Us About America and the Church** - In our study of Romans 1, we will dig deep into what God's Word teaches us about selfishness, idolatry, and the greatest risks facing the Church today - from our culture outside, but also within. Join Pastor Eric in the Chapel at 6:00 p.m.



{Getting to Know You}



New Members of South Tulsa

Meet Bob & Debra Baker who joined our church on January 7!

Bob grew up in

southwestern Oklahoma (Sentinal), and attended Southwestern State University in Weatherford. He graduated with a degree in piano performance.

Debra grew up in Woodward, Oklahoma and also attended Southwestern State University. They met in college and have now been married for 44 years. They moved to Tulsa in 1974 after college. She has worked as a paralegal for the past 33 years.

Bob went on to graduate school at the University of Tulsa and got his degree in piano performance. He retired from Borden Dairy after 30 years and now works part time at Hayhurst Funeral Home. He also teaches piano lessons and just recently became our church pianist! Previously, he was the pianist at Indian Springs Baptist Church for 25 years.

Bob and Debra enjoy spending time with their son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Erin, and their two-month-old grandson, Bodie. They also enjoy taking walks and camping when they have time. Bob enjoys fishing and playing chess.

Mission Ignition

Saturday, March 3, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. \$5 This fun missions event for kids in grades 1-6 will include: missionary speakers, Bible skills games, mission challenges, mission projects, open racing (state RA racing), inflatables, a great time of worship and lunch. Mission Ignition is at First Baptist Church, Tulsa. The cost is \$5 before 2/21 and \$10 after. Please contact Rebecca Lee, 918-299-0904, rebecca@southtulsa.org to sign up. Transportation will be provided or you can meet us at First Baptist.

Oklahoma Baptist Symphony

The Oklahoma Baptist Symphony will present a concert at South Tulsa Baptist Church on Sunday, March 4, 6:00 p.m., in the Worship Center. The group is under the direction of Brad Henderson, worship associate at First Baptist Church, Tulsa.

The Oklahoma Baptist Symphony, now 82 members strong, was established in 1993 and is continuing a rich tradition of instrumental worship. The OBS is sponsored by the Worship & Music Ministry of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, and is made up of volunteers from every walk of life. Their desire is to praise God, using the instrumental musical skills that God has given.

All are invited to attend, there is no charge for admission, and a love offering will be taken for the group's mission opportunities.

Women's Ministry Movie Night

Come and join us for a free movie, *Same Kind of Different As Me*, Thursday, March 1, 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. The movie will start at 6:00 p.m. in the Student Room, enter the church by Fellowship Hall and proceed up the stairs to the Student Room. Bring a brown bag dinner and drink, if desired, movie snacks, water and hot chocolate will be provided. It will be a good time to get to know some of our sisters on a more personal level. If you have any questions, text or call Karen Wright at 918-630-3923.



Inside South Tulsa

Join us for a baby (boy) shower honoring Michelle (Ogilvie) Chappell on February 24 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commons. Registered at Buy Buy Baby and Amazon. Please RSVP to Courtney at 918-954-4288 or ckdetello@gmail.com by 2/20.



last week

GIVING

Ministry Financial Plan 2,414,444
Actual MFP Receipts 2,185,640
General Fund 33,664
A New Day at South Tulsa 1,301

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Adults 358
Students & Parents 75
Children 66
Preschool 55
Unclassified 10
Total 564

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES 200

THE MINISTRY CENTER

Volunteers 25
People Helped 141

WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE

LIVE Views 6,614
(U.S. 4,309; 13 Retirement Centers with 151;
Internationa 2,154)
ON DEMAND Views. 977
(U.S. 651; International 326)

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